

Mayors Of Hunter's Hill 1861 to 2012

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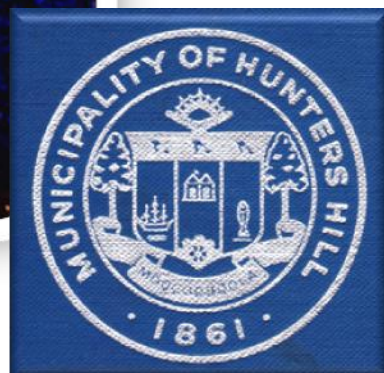
- Hunter's Hill Council (Ida Ozoux-Blessing);
- Hunter's Hill Historical Society;
- *Hunters Hill the Oldest Garden Suburb* by Sherry and Baglin 1988;
- *Faces of Hunters Hill* by Grant 2002;
- *Hunters Hill 1861 to 1961* by Jukes 1960; and
- Several relatives of former mayors and residents of Hunters Hill.

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MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTER'S HILL MAYORS

DAVID E. LANDA	1976-79
J. LYNDON JONES	1979-80
SHEILA B. SWAIN	1980-82
KERRY F. WHERRY	1982-83
JOHN C. McCARTHY	1983-85
BRUCE B. EDELMAN	1985-87
SHEILA B. SWAIN A.M.	1987-89
ROSS E. WILLIAMS	1989-93
ROSS J. SHEERIN	1993-95
JANE M. WADDELL	1995-96
WILLIAM PHIPSON PSM	1996-98
ARTHUR F. BOYD	1998-99
SUSAN R. HOOPMANN	1999-01
BRUCE R. LUCAS	2001-04
SUSAN R. HOOPMANN	2004-08
SUSAN R. HOOPMANN	2008-12



THE BOROUGH OF HUNTER'S HILL MAYORS

CHAIRMAN of COUNCIL

JULES JOUBERT	1861-62
GABRIEL De MILHAU	1863
WILLIAM B. CAMPBELL	1864
FRANCIS CAMPBELL	1865
WILLIAM B. CAMPBELL	1866-67

MAYOR by municipal act

DIDIER N. JOUBERT	1867-69
CHARLES E. JEANNERET	1870-71
ROBERT VINING GALE	1872-73
HENRY PRIOR PALSER	1874
AMBROSE FITZPATRICK	1875
ROBERT VINING GALE	1876
AMBROSE FITZPATRICK	1876
CHARLES E. JEANNERET	1877-78
ANGELO TORNAGHI	1879
JABEZ KING HEYDON	1880-81
ANGELO TORNAGHI	1882-83
JAMES NUTMAN	1884
WILLIAM J. DOYLE	1884
JOSEPH BOOTH	1885
JAMES BROWN	1886
ROBERT SMITH	1887
NUMA A. JOUBERT	1888
ALFRED WEEKS	1889
CHARLES E. JEANNERET	1890
FRANK McNEIL	1891
BERNARD McBRIE	1892-93
THOMAS TURNER	1894-95
ADELBERT T. SCHLEICHER	1896-97
JAMES R. THOMSON	1898-99

MAYORS continued

JAMES M. ROOKE	1900-02
HERBERT J. ASPINALL	1903-04
E. MARSDEN BETTS	1905-12
WILLIAM A. WINDEYER	1913
ADELBERT T. SCHLEICHER	1914-15
HERBERT J. ASPINALL	1916
WILLIAM A. WINDEYER	1917-24
D. T. W. JOHNSON	1921
Deputy Mayor 1st Mar. - 25th Dec.	
RALPH UNWIN	1924-25
LOUIS A. MEYERS	1926-27
ERNEST H. CLARKE	1928-31
GEORGE W. WOODBRIDGE	1932-33
CLARENCE E. FARTHING	1934
ROBERT S. MURRAY-PRIOR	1935
LOUIS A. MEYERS	1936-39
BERT COWELL	1940
HENRY E. RYVES	1941
CLEMENT W. WEIL	1942-51
THOMAS W. B. HAYNES	1952
JOHN E. REEVES	1953
CLEMENT W. WEIL	1954
ALEX A. HARDING	1955-58
Died 6th July 1958	
KEN BELL	1958-61
HARRY E. JESSUP	1962-63
WILLIAM J. THOM	1964-65
JOHN C. MERRINGTON	1966-67
KEN BELL	1968
DONALD E. FARRANT	1969-74
LEON J. CRAWLEY	1974-76





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Chairman of Council and Mayors of the Municipality of Hunter's Hill

Brief History of Local Government in NSW

Following the establishment of responsible government to NSW in 1856 and under the *Municipalities Act, 1858* local councils gained wide responsibilities. They included the provision of roads, bridges, ferries, wharves, cemeteries, water supply, sewerage, public hospitals, gardens and libraries. Revenue was to be obtained via rates and tolls and supplemented by loans. Voting rights were limited to ratepayers.

The *Municipalities Act, 1867* provided for the subdivision of municipalities into boroughs and districts, each with designated area and population qualifications. The *Municipalities Act 1867* consolidated all previous Acts and amending Acts without altering their main features.

With the *Local Government (Shires) Act, 1905* and *Local Government Extension Act, 1906* local government finally gained a compulsory, state-wide system of incorporation. By 1908, 134 shires were created, joining the 190 previously incorporated municipalities. Local authorities gained delegation of extensive powers in relation to works and services of a local character, as well as a greater measure of financial independence.

The *Local Government Act, 1919* considerably extended these powers and functions again. Minor legislative changes to the Act throughout the twentieth century have resulted in the last major review, being that of the *Local Government Act, 1993*. Local government entities now include shires, municipalities and cities, with powers of shires and municipalities identical.

Mayoral Role

The mayor is generally the member of the council who acts as ceremonial figurehead at official functions, as well as carrying the authority of council between meetings. Mayoral decisions made between meetings are subject to Council and may be confirmed or repealed if necessary. Mayors in Australia may be elected either directly through a ballot for the position of mayor at a local-government election, or alternatively may be elected from within the council at a meeting in each September during the council term.

The *Local Government Act 1993* defines the current role of the Mayor as to:

- Exercise, in cases of necessity, the policy-making functions of the governing body of the council between meetings of the council;



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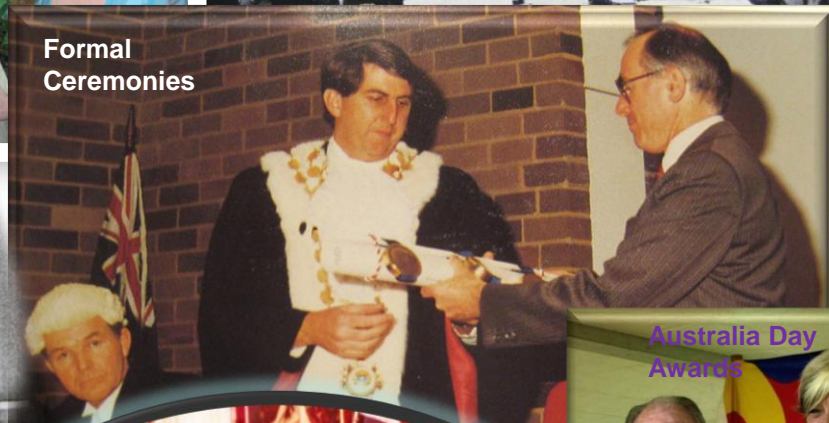
Community events



Chair Council Meetings



Formal Ceremonies



Presentations



Australia Day Awards



Special Functions
Centenary Dinner



Community Recognition Events



Citizenship Ceremony





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- Exercise such other functions of the council as the council determines;
- Preside at meetings of the council; and
- Carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office.

For what period is the mayor elected?

In Hunter's Hill from 1861 to 2004 a mayor was elected by the councillors, holding the office of mayor for 1 year but following that period a mayor is now elected by the electors (popularly elected) and holds the office of mayor for 4 years coinciding with the council term.

Mayoral Regalia and Protocol

- The civic regalia and insignia of local government have basically remained unaltered for centuries. The robes, the mayoral chain and the mace (not used in Hunter's Hill) are not intended to glorify the individual, but rather they are a uniform of office and are used to respect and honour the people whom the users serve;
- The robes; - These are the traditional robes – black with white ermine trim on the lapel normally worn by Lord Mayors. The mayor also wears a lace fall (neck piece). Most Mayors in NSW wear crimson robes trimmed with brown ermine and these are associated with English boroughs;
- The Chain: - The chain is gold and each shield represents a Mayor's (includes successive terms if served) term. The links have grown in number with time and the chain was on several occasions remodelled. The chain worn by Mayor Thom (1964-65) is considerably different to that in Mayor Hoopmann's photograph (2011);
- A second light weight gold chain is used for less formal occasions to hold the detachable crest. Protocol dictates that this chain is not used with the robes;
- Mayors do not wear wigs but Town Clerks did (see photo page 3 centre right);
- In more recent years the title of "Emeritus Mayor" is awarded by the Local Government Association of NSW. The eligibility criteria set for honorary title of Emeritus Mayor is that intended recipients must have served as mayor for a minimum of three one year terms or one full term as a popularly elected Mayor. This award is intended to provide ongoing recognition to those who have served as a mayor; and
- Mayors have the title of 'His/Her Worship' whilst holding the position. The term *worship* implies that citizens give or attribute special worth or esteem (*worship*) to their first-citizen or mayor. The term means to respect; to honour; or to treat with civil reverence.



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Hunter's Hill Council Meeting 1960

Mayoral Terms in Hunter's Hill

- The Borough of Hunter's Hill was established on 12th March 1861 and headed by a Chairman;
- The Municipality of Hunter's Hill was proclaimed under the new *Municipal Act 1867*. In 1967 the Chairman was replaced with the term Mayor and elected representatives as Alderman;
- The name of Municipality changed to "Hunter's Hill Council" with the introduction of the new *Local Government Act 1993* on 1st July, 1993. Many Shire and Municipal councils were unhappy with this name change and some challenged the Government and found ways to retain their historic association. Hunter's Hill Council registered the business name "Municipality of Hunter's Hill" so it can continue trade and be known under its original title;
- Also on 1st July, 1993, "Aldermen" changed to "Councillors";
- Following the State Elections in May 1993, the Premier on behalf of the President of the Local Government Department, resolved that Local Government Elections traditionally held on the 2nd Saturday of September in each quad annual election year be deferred to the 27th March, 2004;
- Hunter's Hill Council, at Local Government Elections in 1999, held a referendum to seek voters support to have a popularly elected Mayor. This was adopted; and



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- The Local Government Department also determined that the current popularly elected Mayors serve 4½ years to bring the Local Government Elections back to the 2nd Saturday of September of each electoral year. See Mayor 57.

Mayor Photographs - Explanatory Notes

- Mayors are numbered sequentially from 01 to 58;
- If a person is elected Mayor on other occasions, that person retains the same original number. To date, the number for persons elected Mayor since 1861 is 58;
- The current Mayor for example, Clr Hoopmann (2004-2008 – 2008-2012) was the 57th Mayor and should Her Worship not seek or be elected in 2012, the next number is 59 as Clr Lucas was the 58th Mayor following on from an earlier term of Clr Hoopmann;
- Name **BLUE** blocks under each photograph include the mayoral term. Where no photograph is currently available the block is coloured **ROSE**. When new or better quality photographs are provided the listings will be updated; and
- Photographs were sourced from a range of public domain documents and individuals.



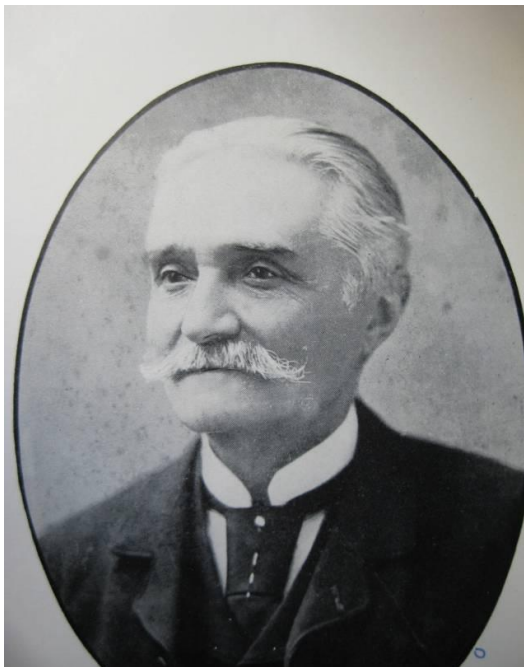
**Former Mayors and Councillors (standing) with Council of 2008-12 (seated).
Sesquicentenary Celebrations – First Hunter's Hill Council meeting re-enactment**



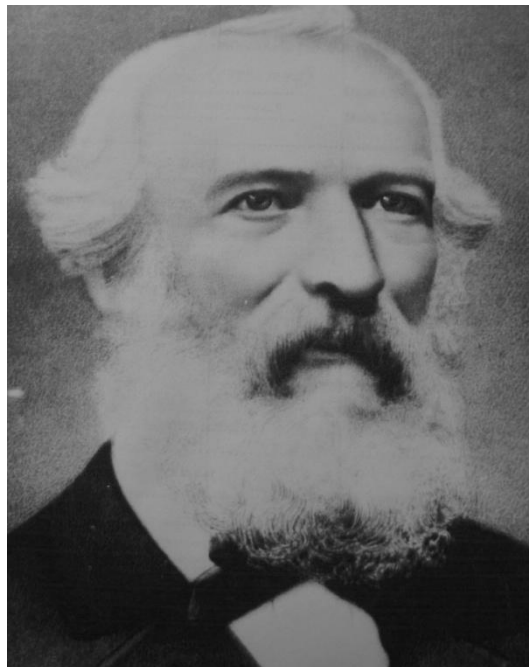
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Chairman of Council of the Borough of Hunter's Hill



01 Jules Joubert – 1861, 1862

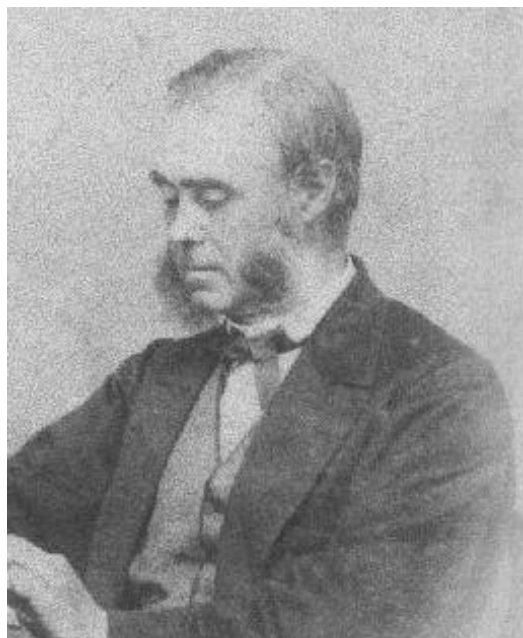


04 Francis Campbell - 1864

02 Gabriel de Milhau – 1863



03 William Campbell – 1864,
1865, 1866



05 Didier Numa Joubert – 1867,
1868, 1869



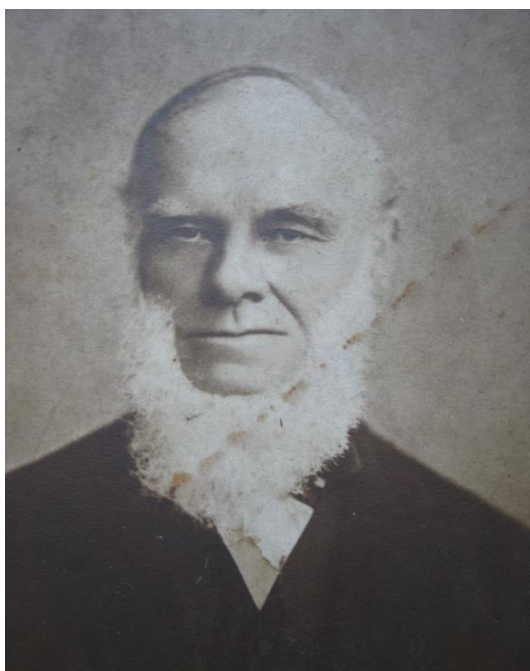
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06 Charles E Jeanneret – 1870, 1871, 1877, 1878, 1890



07 Robert Vining Gale – 1872, 1873, 1876

08 Henry Prior Palser - 1874

09 Ambrose Fitzpatrick – 1875, 1876



10 Angelo Tornaghi – 1879, 1882, 1883,

11 Jabez King Hayden – 1880, 1881

12 James Nutman - 1884

13 William Doyle - 1884

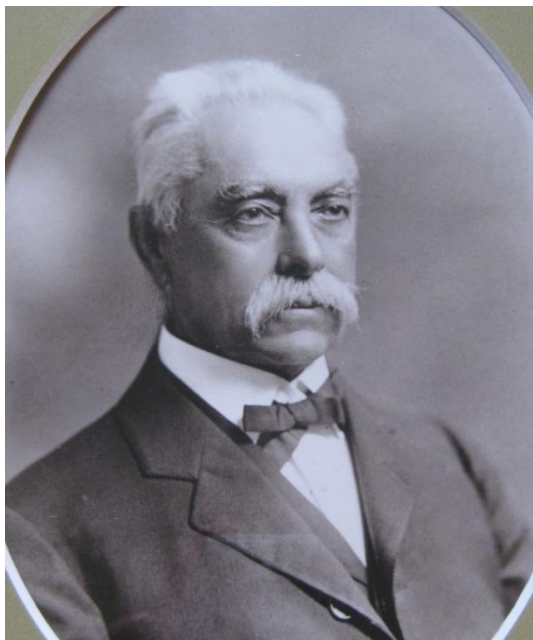
14 Joseph Booth - 1886

15 James Brown - 1886

16 Robert Smith - 1887



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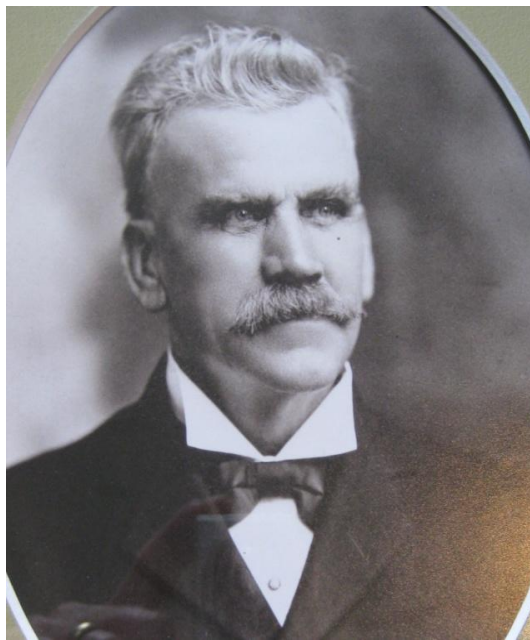
17 Numa A Joubert - 1888



19 Frank McNeil - 1891



18 Alfred Weeks – 1889



20 Bernard McBride – 1892, 1893

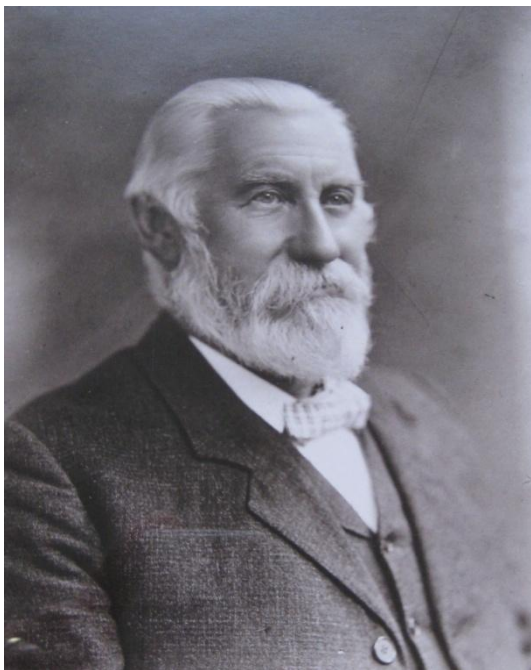


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21 Thomas Turner – 1894, 1895

22 Adelbert T Schleicher – 1896,
1897, 1914, 1915

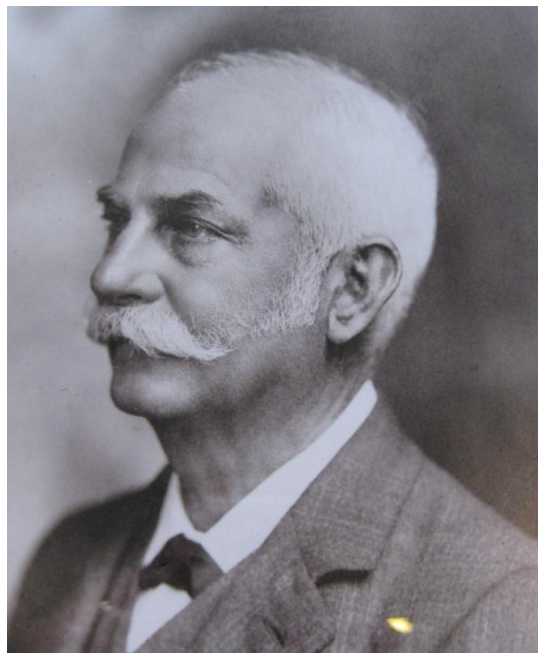


23 James R Thomson -
1898, 1899

24 James M Rooke – 1900, 1901,
1902



25 Herbert J Aspinall – 1903,
1904, 1916



26 Edward Marsden Betts – 1905
- 1912



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27 William A Windeyer – 1913, 1917-1924



29 Louis A Myers – 1926, 1927, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939



28 Ralph Unwin – 1924, 1925

30 Ernest H Clarke – 1926, 1927

31 George W Woodbridge – 1932, 1933

32 Clarence E Farthing – 1934



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33 Robert S Murray-Prior - 1935



35 Henry E Ryves - 1941



34 Bert Cowell – 1940



**36 Clement W Weil – 1942-1952,
1954**



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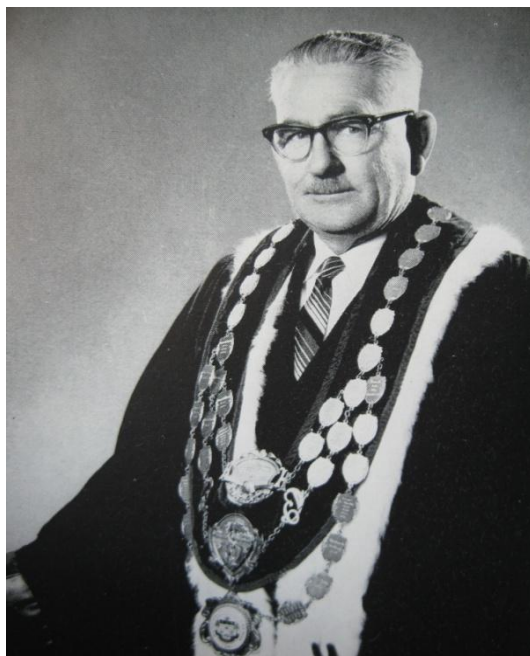
37 Thomas W B Haynes – 1952



39 Alex Harding – 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958



38 John E Reeves - 1953



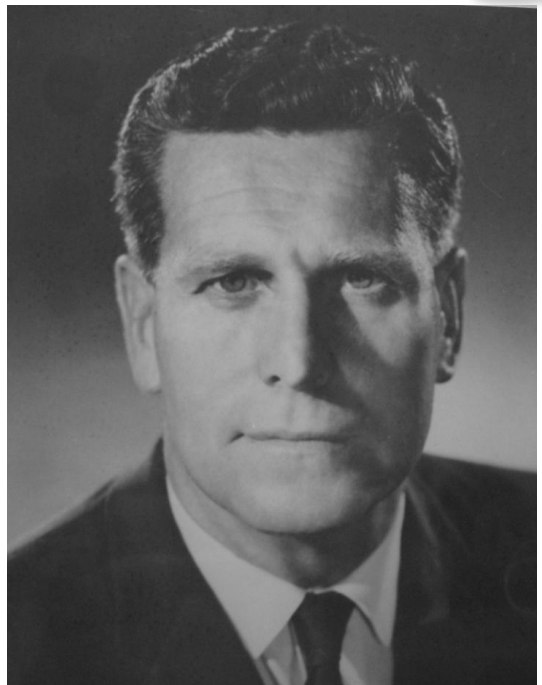
40 Ken Bell – 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1968



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41 Harry E Jessup – 1962, 1963



43 John C Merrington -
1966, 1967



42 William J Thom – 1964-1965



44 Donald E Farrant – 1969-1974



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45 Leon J Crawley – 1974-1976



47 John Lyndon Jones – 1979-1980



46 David E Landa – 1976-1979



48 Emeritus Mayor Sheila B Swain
– 1980-1982, 1987-1989



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49 Kerry F Wherry – 1982-1983



51 Bruce Edelman – 1985-1987



50 John C McCarthy – 1983-1985



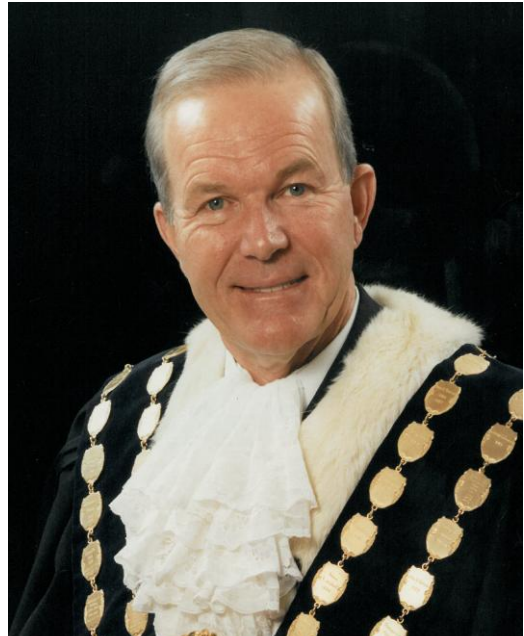
52 Emeritus Mayor Ross Ernest Williams – 1989-1993



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53 Ross J Sheerin – 1993-1995



55 William Gordon Phipson – 1996-1998



Jane Margaret Waddell – 1995-1996



56 Arthur Francis Boyd – 1998-1999



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57 Emeritus Mayor Susan Ruth Hoopmann – 1999-2001, 2004-2008, 2008-2012



58 Bruce Richard Lucas – 2001-2003, 2004





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Mayors of Hunter's Hill Roll Call

#	Name	Year			
	Chairman of Council		17	Numa A Joubert	1888
1	Jules Joubert	1861-62	18	Alfred Weeks	1889
2	Gabriel de Milhau	1863	6	Charles E Jeanneret	1890
3	William B Campbell	1864	19	Frank McNeil	1891
4	Francis Campbell	1865	20	Bernard McBride	1892-93
3	William B Campbell	1866-67	21	Thomas Turner	1894-95
	Mayor by Municipal Act		22	Adelbert T Schleicher	1896-97
5	Didier N Joubert	1867-69	23	James R Thomson	1898-99
6	Charles E Jeanneret	1870-71	24	James M Rooke	1900-02
7	Robert Vining Gale	1872-73	25	Herbert J Aspinall	1903-04
8	Henry Prior Palser	1874	26	E Marsden Betts	1905-12
9	Ambrose Fitzpatrick	1875	27	William A Windeyer	1913
7	Robert Vining Gale	1876	22	Adelbert T Schleicher	1914-15
9	Ambrose Fitzpatrick	1876	25	Herbert J Aspinall	1916
6	Charles E Jeanneret	1877-78	27	William A Windeyer	1917-24
10	Angelo Tornaghi	1879	28	Ralph Unwin	1924-25
11	Jabez King Heydon	1880-81	29	Louis A Meyers	1926-27
10	Angelo Tornaghi	1882-83	30	Ernest H Clarke	1928-31
12	James Nutman	1884	31	George W Woodbridge	1932-33
13	William J Doyle	1884	32	Clarence E Farthing	1934
14	Joseph Booth	1885	33	Robert S Murray-Prior	1935
15	James Brown	1886	34	Bert Cowell	1940
16	Robert Smith	1887	35	Henry E Ryves	1941
			36	Clement W Weil	1942-52
			37	Thomas W B Haynes	1952
			38	John E Reeves (died 31/01/1985)	1953
			36	Clement W Weil	1954



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39	Alex Harding (died 06/07/1958) (3 years)	1955-58
40	Ken Bell (died 17/06/1970) (3yrs)	1958-61
41	Harry E Jessup (died 06/09/1977)	1962-63
42	William J Thom	1964-65
43	John C Merrington	1966-67
40	Ken Bell (died 17/06/1970)	1968
44	Donald E Farrant (died 06/04/1991) (5 years)	1969-74
45	Leon J Crawley (died 24/12/1993) (2 yrs)	1974-76
46	David E Landa (Resigned 05/02/1979) (3 years)	1976-79
47	John Lyndon Jones (Elected Mayor 05/02/1979)	1979-80
48	Sheila B Swain (died 2009)	1980-82
49	Kerry F Wherry	1982-83

50	John C McCarthy (2 years)	1983-85
51	Bruce B Edelman (2 years)	1985-87
48	Emeritus Mayor Sheila B Swain A M (died 2009)	1987-89
52	Emeritus Mayor Ross E Williams (4 Years)	1989-93
53	Ross J Sheerin	1993-95
54	Jane Margaret Waddell	1995-96
55	William Edward Gordon Phipson PSM (2 years)	1996-98
56	Arthur Francis Boyd	1998-99
57	Emeritus Mayor Susan Ruth Hoopmann (2 years)	1999-2001
58	Bruce Richard Lucas – The last Councillor-elected Mayor of Hunters Hill.	2001-2003-2004
57	Emeritus Mayor Susan Ruth Hoopmann 1st Popularly Elected Mayor for Hunters Hill (8 years)	2004-2008 2008-2012



Hunter's Hill Council Meeting 1960



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Hunter's Hill Municipality Coat of Arms



TO ALL AND SINGULAR to whom these Presents shall come Sir Alexander—
 Colin Cole Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order upon whom has been conferred the Territorial Decoration Garter
 Principal King of Arms Sir Anthony Richard Wagner Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath Knight Coman-
 der of the Royal Victorian Order Clarenceux King of Arms and John Philip Brooke Little Esquire Commander of the Royal Vic-
 torian Order Norrey and Ulster King of Arms Send Greeting! Whereas John Cameron McCarthy Esquire Mayor of **THE MUNICIPALITY OF
 HUNTER'S HILL** in the State of New South Wales in the Commonwealth of Australia hath represented unto The Most Noble Miles Francis Staple-
 ton Duke of Norfolk Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order Companion of the Most Honour-
 able Order of the Bath Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire upon whom has been conferred the Decoration of the Military
 Cross Earl Marshal that The Municipality of Hunter's Hill was declared to be such and was incorporated by Proclamation of the Governor General
 and Governor in Chief of the former Colony of New South Wales made under and by virtue of the provisions of 'The Municipalities Act of 1858 of the
 Government of New South Wales' and bearing date the Fifth day of January 1861 and that the Council of the said Municipality of Hunter's Hill being
 desirous of having Armorial Ensigns established under lawful authority and recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms he as Mayor of 'The Municip-
 ality of Hunter's Hill' and on behalf of the Council thereof hath requested the favour of His Graces Warrant for our granting and assigning such
 Arms and Crest and in the same Patent such Supporters and such Device or Badge as We deem fit and proper to be borne and used by The Municipality
 of Hunter's Hill on its Common Seal or otherwise according to the Laws of Arms And whereas as the said Earl Marshal did by Warrant under his
 hand and Seal bearing date the Twenty sixth day of February 1866 authorize and direct 'Us to grant and assign such Arms and Crest and in the
 same Patent such Supporters and such Device or Badge accordingly' Know Ye therefore that We the said Garter Clarenceux and Norrey and Ulster in
 pursuance of His Graces Warrant and by virtue of the Letters Patent of Our several Offices granted by The Queens Most Excellent Majesty to each
 of Us respectively do by these Presents grant and assign unto **THE MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTER'S HILL** the Arms following that is to
 say: Azure three Bars wavy Argent on a Pile between two Bars pilewise Or blades in chief each per pale Gules and Azure a Bugle
 Horn mouth to the sinister Vert stringed and garnished Gules And for the Crest Upon a Helm with a Wreath Argent and Sable Issuant
 from an Ancient Crown Or a stylised representation of a Fig Tree proper Mantled Azure doubled Argent And by the Authority afore-
 said We do further grant and assign the following Device or badge that is to say: Upon seven Blocks of Sandstone ranged in two tiers—
 three and four Or a Bugle Horn mouth to the sinister Vert stringed and garnished Gules And by the Authority aforesaid I the said Garter
 do further grant and assign unto **THE MUNICIPALITY OF HUNTER'S HILL** the Supporters following that is to say: Two Ibis proper
 their breasts against the Shield the Compartment comprising seven Blocks of Sandstone ranged in two tiers three and four also

proper as are all in the margin hereof more plainly depicted to be borne and used for ever hereafter by The Municipality of Hunter's Hill on its Common Seal or otherwise according to the Laws of Arms in witness
 whereof We the said Garter Clarenceux and Norrey and Ulster have to these Presents subscribed Our names and affixed the Seals of Our several Offices this First day of December in the Thirty eighth year of the Reign of
 Our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God Queen of Australia and Her other Realms and Territories Head of the Commonwealth and in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred & eighty-nine.

A. Colin Cole—Garter

J. P. Brooke Little—Norrey and Ulster

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